

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT				1. CONTRACT ID CODE J		PAGE OF PAGES 1 9	
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. U0002		3. EFFECTIVE DATE 07-Jan-2013		4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. W2SDXXXXXXXXXX		5. PROJECT NO.(If applicable) 057594	
6. ISSUED BY CONTRACTING DIVISION US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS KONRAD ADENAUER RING 39 D-65187 WESBADEN GERMANY WESBADEN 65187		CODE W912GB		7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than item 6) See Item 6		CODE	
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., Street, County, State and Zip Code)				X		9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. W912GB-13-R-0009	
				X		9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 26-Nov-2012	
						10A. MOD. OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
						10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE				FACILITY CODE			
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.							
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)							
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.							
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.							
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(B).							
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:							
D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)							
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.							
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Technical Phase proposal is extended to 17 January 2013 at 1500 CET and shall not include any pricing submission. The Price Phase proposal is due on 1 February 2013 at 1500 CET. <p>Not all questions received from potential offerors have responses provided through this Amendment. Any questions received prior to this Amendment as well as any new questions resulting from the Solicitation, amendments thereto and the pre-proposal site visit conference will be provided responses through future amendment.</p> <p>See Continuation Page</p> <p>POC: Glenn Adams Email: glenn.adams@usace.army.mil Phone: +49 (0)611 9744 2723 Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.</p>							
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)				16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)			
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15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR		15C. DATE SIGNED		16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		16C. DATE SIGNED	
(Signature of person authorized to sign)				BY			
				(Signature of Contracting Officer)			

SECTION SF 30 BLOCK 14 CONTINUATION PAGE

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

SECTION SF 30 - BLOCK 14 CONTINUATION PAGE

The following have been added by full text:

AMENDMENT 0002

The purpose of this Amendment is to provide responses to questions received from interested parties or potential offerors in response to the posting of the Pre-Solicitation and Solicitation documents on the Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps) website. The 100% Specifications and Drawings are included as attachments. See list of attachments for documents provided with this Amendment. **The Technical Proposal submission date/time is extended from 11 January 2013/ 1500 CET to 17 January 2013/1500 CET.**

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

Amendment 0001 provided responses to questions 1 through 44. This amendment continues with questions 45 through 90. Any questions submitted previously which were not answered with Amendment 0001 or not answered with 0002 will be answered in a future Amendment:

45. Does the current scope of work include deforestation?

Response: No, deforestation will not be part of this contract.

46. Has permission been granted by German authorities to perform the deforestation?

Response: See response to Question 45.

47. What are the windows of work for deforestation due to environmental concerns? Please provide the fixed period of time for the deforestation.

Response: See response to Question 45.

48. Technical Specification 210, Site Preparation states that 21 bunkers will be demolished. Is the demolition of the Ammunition bunkers included in the construction scope of this contract? Where are they located? What is the size of each bunker and the material they are made from? Are the bunkers located underground or above ground? Please provide drawings or photos of the existing structures that shows existing conditions.

Response: Yes, demolition of the bunkers is a requirement for this project. Details of the bunkers size and location are provided with the 100% design specifications and drawings as well as bunker as-built drawings are included with this Amendment.

49. Upon review of the documents, we found some differences in the drawings:

a) In all the architecture-drawings (A40 -- A88, total 14 drawings), the sprinkler building is in the range of the axis E-F/6-8. On the other drawings and the specifications, it is in the range of axis D-E/5-8.

b) Also the power plant has different dimensions. In addition there is a difference in the heights:

- Architecture-drawings +0,00 = 358,5 m NN
- Other drawings +0,00 = 357,0 m NN

Could you please clarify?

Response: The 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment corrected these inconsistencies. The Preliminary Specifications and Drawings provided with the Solicitation are superseded by the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment.

50. Permits: According to page 116/117 of the solicitation documents the contractor shall be responsible for obtaining any permits. Please provide clarification as whether this shall include public building permit according to Rheinland-Pfalz State Law including environmental impact studies, water management plans, building surveys of buildings to be demolished etc.? Are there any additional requirements according to the permit for construction and demolition known or to be expected?

Response: No additional pre-construction permits are required. Construction permits will be required in accordance to the EM 385 1-1 Safety Manual.

51. Base access: Are we assuming right that we need additional clearances to work outside the temporary fenced construction site? (to pull cables to the antenna foundations, construct new foundations for antennas)

Response: No additional clearances will be required other than base access. Prior to working near the antennas, the contractor shall contact the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to determine if there are any access restrictions at that time.

52. The numbers refer to the numbers of the Technical Specifications Solicitation, 01 November 2012:

b. 210 Site preparation

- i. Please provide as-built drawings of the 21 ammunition bunkers?
- ii. Please provide a site plan with locations and access ways to the bunkers?
- iii. Is there an environmental survey available? If yes please provide.

Response: Individual as-builts are not available. A representative as-built drawing of an ammunition bunker is provided with this Amendment. Environmental Survey is not available.

d. 529 Paved surfaces, miscellaneous

- i. Please provide dimensions of the antenna pads and confirm the number to be constructed?

Response: See the 100% design specifications and drawings provided as part of this Amendment.

e. 4411 Switchgear system

- i. Construction phase 2 calls out for a new cable route starting at the new exposed mv cable to the new SF 6 mv switchgear. This route has to run between the technical building and the NETCOM building.
- ii. Drawing C1 shows a mv cable route between building the WSOC building and the technical building?
- iii. Which route is preferred?
- iv. Can we reuse the existing mv cable?

Response: For i, ii, iii - The cable route between Netcom and Technical building is preferred.

Note: Drawing C1 was not an electrical drawing. Regarding question iv – Yes, reuse of the existing mv cable is acceptable. Please reference the 100% design specifications and drawings provided as part of this Amendment.

f. 4411 Medium Voltage switchgear system

- i. The scope mentions that “telecontrol, measurement and current transformers are orders of the Pfalzwerke and must be ordered and paid separately”. Please confirm that services, supplies and/or installations to be provided by Pfalzwerke are not part of this contract.

Response: No, this is not a part of this contract.

53. The numbers refer to the numbers of the Design Drawings Solicitation, 01 November 2012:

a. General

- i. The resolution of some of the pdf provided is too poor. Details can not be identified, even when enlarged. Please provide drawings with higher resolution, particularly electrical drawings – pages 48-54

Response: See the 100% design specifications and drawings provided as part of this Amendment.

- ii. Some of the drawings refer to existing systems which shall be considered/integrated into the new loops etc. There is no information on brands or type of these existing systems. Please provide necessary information.

Response: See response to question 53.a.i.

- iii. Drawings A40 - A88: Legend A-0 is missing; Please provide.

Response: See response to question 53.a.i.

- iv. Drawings M-2a - M3a: Legend M-1 is missing; Please provide.

Response: See response to question 53.a.i.

- v. Drawing FP-2a: Legend FP-1 is missing; Please provide

Response: See response to question 53.a.i.

- vi. Drawing P-2: Legend P-1 is missing; Please provide

Response: See response to question 53.a.i.

- vii. Drawing E-9a – E110a: Legend E-1 is missing; Please provide

Response: See response to question 53.a.i.

- viii. C1 Masterplan: The symbol of new manholes for electrical power is the same as for the existing manholes for electrical power. How can we distinguish between “existing” and “new”? Please clarify.

Response: The 100% design drawings provided with this Amendment have corrected this issue.

54. The solicitation requires on page 8 that a bid bond shall be signed by all JV partners. However the Bid Bond is issued and signed by the bank. Please clarify.

Response: All Joint Venture partners are to be identified on the Bid Bond and the Bid Bond only signed by the Bank Official(s). The requirement for all JV partners to sign the Bank Letter of Guarantee or Bid Bond is deleted from the solicitation.

55. The solicitation refers on attachment 7 included on pages 23-24 of the solicitation to various items. We could not identify a document as part of the solicitation with the same numbering system. Please clarify.

Response: The Price Schedule provided with the Solicitation as Attachment 7 is no longer applicable. A revised Price Schedule which is based on the 100% design documents will be provided in a follow-on Amendment.

56. The solicitation requires a BLA or a bid bond to be converted into a BLG after award. In addition it is announced that an amount of 10 % of every invoice will be retained by the Government. Both sureties generate considerable cost. Would the Government accept an increased BLG instead of the retainer?

Would the Government be willing to reconsider to reduce the doubled surety? Please clarify.

Response: Only the requirement for a Bank Letter of Assurance or a Bid Bond to be converted to a Bank Letter of Guarantee is applicable. Delete the following from Paragraph 2 –

Responsibility on Solicitation page 23 of 126: “In order to protect the Government’s interest in the event of a default, the Government will retain 10% of every invoice submitted throughout the project duration until completion of the project. Once final acceptance of the project is made by the Government, the contractor will be paid all retained amounts.”

57. Drawing C1 seems to require three fuel tanks or two tanks with 70,000 each on east side of sprinkler building, whereas drawing A 72 shows two underground tanks of 60,000 l each on the west side of the sprinkler building. Drawing E3 shows the special WHG refueling pad north of three tanks, whereas drawing C 1 shows it east of the tanks. Please clarify number of tanks, capacity and location of tanks and refueling pad.

Response: Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment.

58. Has the Government performed a more detailed survey of elevations than shown in drawing C1? If yes, can it be provided?

Response: Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment.

59. Floor coverings/ Ceilings and so on. Would you please provide a room finish schedule for subject solicitation Bldg’s for calculation.

Response: Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment.

60. In the specification there are 21 ammunition bunkers described (page 8 of 64). Unfortunately we could find them neither on the plans nor on site.

Response: The ammunition bunkers are located on Rhine Ordinance Barracks. A representative as-built drawing has been provided as part of this Amendment.

61. The NETCOM is not part of this solicitation. But where is the separation between this both solicitations? Does all the landscaping work displayed on Plan C1 belong to the WSOC building?

Response: Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment.

62. In the course of the construction work for the new WSOC building several buildings have to be demolished. Under the title “394 – Demolition measures” in the specification (page 15 of 64) the demolition of building no. 3373 and the building west of no. 3393 is described. What about the buildings no. 3371, 3374, 3377, 3383 and 3384? Is the demolition also part of this solicitation?

Response: Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment. The buildings in question are a part of this solicitation and will also be demolished but after the commissioning phase/Beneficial Occupancy Date (BOD) of the WSOC facility.

63. At first, the new fence in the north of the area has to be erected. After that, the building site fence will be built. With regard to the high security level of the Heliport we need more information related to the kind of execution of this building site fence.

Response: The Primary and secondary site fence will be installed under another contract.

64. Do we have to expect that there is only one construction road for both construction sites (WSOC and NETCOM)?

Response: Yes. The selected offeror may, however, propose an alternative solution for the Government's review and approval.

65. Will we have to price any design phases or will this be a construction project, where a 100% design will be provided by the Government?

Response: This project is a Design-Bid-Build. Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings provided with this Amendment.

66. As Amendment 1 splits this procurement into a two-phase submission, will the USACE be utilizing the traditional two-phase process where contractors are down selected based on meeting the Phase 1 evaluation criteria? Will only the down selected firms be provided all the final documents and requested to provide pricing.

Response: All offerors submitting a Technical Proposal which meets the submission requirements under Phase 1 of the Solicitation and as amended will be requested to provide a Price Proposal under Phase 2. There will not be a process of down selecting firms at the end of Phase 1.

67. Based on the complexity of this project and the lack of final design drawings, would the USACE consider utilizing the traditional two-phase procurement where they would evaluate technical proposals first and then short list bidders to move to the phase two of pricing? This would allow the government additional time for final design drawing completion and scope clarification, while saving contractors the effort of trying to keep the pricing process in place with limited final documents available and making what could be costly assumptions and result in potentially inflated bids.

Response: See response to Question 66. The 100% design specifications and drawings are provided as part of this Amendment.

68. Factor 2 – Past Performance allows a completed DD 2626 form in lieu of the PPQ Attachment 3. Would the government accept a completed CPARS or CCASS in lieu of Attachment 3 as well?

Response: Yes.

69. Attachment 2 – Experience Information Sheet requires the “name, email, phone and fax number of English speaking POC.” Is this the client POC or company POC?

Response: Client POC.

70. Typically graphics, charts, and diagrams are allowed in a smaller font as long as they are legible. Can we use a smaller font for graphics, charts, and diagrams?

Response: Yes.

71. Amendment changed the font requirement to Times New Roman with a minimum pitch of 12. Attachment 1 – Experience Overview, as provided by the USACE, uses 11 pitch, 10 pitch, and 9 pitch font. Attachment 2 – Experience Information Sheet, as provided by the USACE uses 11 pitch. Is it acceptable to use smaller fonts for these attachments?

Response: Yes.

72. Will the 100% Design package be provided to all contractors before the technical proposal due date?
Response: Yes. The 100% design specifications and drawings are provided as part of this Amendment.
73. Will the government provide the 100% design package in German and English?
Response: The 100% design specifications are provided in English only. The 100% design drawings have both English and German annotations.
74. When will the 100% plans and specifications be released?
Response: The 100% Design specifications and drawings are provided as part of this Amendment.
75. The Price Schedule under each description shows an Item number, for example EARTH WORK has Items 2.1 to 2.80 to be included in this portion of the price; however, these numbers do not correlate to anything in the Solicitation. Please clarify.
Response: See response to Question 55.
76. Please confirm that once the final specifications and drawings are issued, offerors will be afforded at least five (5) days to ask additional questions.
Response: The submission of the Technical Proposal has been extended to 17 January 2013. Offerors submitting questions after 11 January 2013 pertaining to the Technical Proposal portion of the Solicitation after being provided the 100% design documents may or may not be answered prior to the required submission date at the discretion of the Contracting Officer. The deadline for submitting questions pertaining to the development of offeror's Price Proposal is 27 January 2013 with any questions received after to be answered at the discretion of the Contracting Officer prior to the required submission date of 1 February 2013.
77. Please confirm the Government will require that the Resident Management System (RMS) and the Quality Control System (QCS) be used on this project.
Response: Confirmed. Refer to USACE specifications 01 32 01.00 10 – Project Schedule, 01 45 01 - USACE Quality Control and 01 45 01 10 – USACE Quality Control System (QCS).
78. Will the Government allow the contractor to use existing Past Performance Questionnaires (PPQs) or Construction Contractor Appraisal Support System (CCASS) evaluations (DD 2626 Forms) they have, in lieu of obtaining new ones from its clients?
Response: Use of existing PPQs is not permitted. However, submissions of DD Form 2626 are permitted. See response to Question 68.
79. Reference page 16, para (3) Request for Additional Other than Cost and Pricing Data. Will cost and pricing data be required with the price proposal? This paragraph leads a firm to believe cost and pricing data is to be provided with the pricing proposal; however, there is no attachment to provide this pricing provided by the Government in the submission requirements, Section 00100 – Bidding Schedules/Instructions to Bidders.
Response: Other than Cost and Pricing Data is not required to be submitted with the Price Proposal. The Contracting Officer reserves the right to request Other than Cost and Pricing Data if post proposal submission discussions are required.
80. Reference page 14, Factor 3-Management Approach, para 1. Will the requirement for a "design firms chosen for the project" be deleted? The Government is providing a 100% design with the solicitation;

therefore, no design of the project will be required to execute the 100% design. Additionally, page 6, Overview identifies this as an award of a Design-Bid-Build (DBB) Firm-Fixed-Price (FFP) Construction Contract. The FAR defines a DBB as the traditional delivery method where design and construction are sequential and contracted for separately with two contracts and two contractors. Therefore, if there is a Contractor of Design there should be no requirement for a design firm in the Construction contract awarded.

Response: USACE is providing the 100% design specifications and drawings as part of this Amendment. No additional design effort is required by the contractor.

81. Reference page 10 Amendment 1, last sentence from para 3. Will the requirement for the Bank Letter of Assurance to be signed by all members of the Joint Venture be deleted? The BLG is signed only by the bank issuing the BLG and the JV is indicated as the firm. There is no place on the BLA for the JV members to sign and the bank will not allow signatures other than theirs.

Response: See response to Question 56.

82. When will the 100% design be provided to offerors? This is critical to obtaining pricing in order to meet the price proposal submission date. Presently offerors can only perform preliminary pricing and line of subcontracts to later obtain pricing. Pricing a project of this size accurately takes time; therefore, the time between receiving the 100% design a price proposal is critical to providing a proper price proposal.

Response: The 100% design specifications and drawings as part of this Amendment.

83. With the standardization of USACE Attachments 3 and 4 Past Performance Questionnaires and the reference within Attachment 3 which states "**THE OFFEROR WILL SUBMIT THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE TO USACE WITH THEIR PROPOSAL, AND MAY DUPLICATE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE FOR FUTURE SUBMISSION ON USACE SOLICITATIONS.**" It is our assumption that we may use previously completed PPQ for this effort. Can USACE please confirm this is acceptable?

Response: Submission of previously completed PPQs is not acceptable.

84. The instructions for the Proposal Format for Volume I on Page 10, Factor 1 – Experience, 1. Information for completing Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 state "Offerors shall complete an Experience Overview Sheet, Attachment 1, with no more than five (5) projects...". However, the third line of the Attachment 2, Experience Information Sheet, states "Must have a total of 5 projects, more than 5 will not be evaluated; less than 5 may result in a lower rating." Are a total of 5 projects required?

Response: Submit up to five (5) projects. Attachment 2 – Experience Information Sheet has been revised and provided as an attachment to this Amendment.

85. We have submitted several questions that will directly affect our approach to work at the site, which will be addressed in Volume I, Factor 3, Management Approach, so it is important that we receive answers to these questions soon, so we can incorporate this information. If answers to questions are not issued by the close of business on Friday 4 January 2013, will you consider extending the due date for the Volume I Technical Proposals beyond Friday 11 January 2013?

Response: See response to Question 76.

86. If demolition of the bunkers are required, will hazardous materials be required to be demolished and disposed of?

Response: If the contractor encounters hazardous materials during the demolition of the existing bunkers, the contractor shall stop all work and immediately notify the COR.

87. Please confirm that the Government will require a separate Health and Safety (H&S) Officer for this project, since it is over 1.5 million in value.

Response: A dedicated Health & Safety Officer will be required for this project.

88. Please confirm that the Quality Control Manager cannot perform the duties of the H&S Officer nor those of the Site Superintendent.

Response: A QC Manager cannot perform the duties of the N&S Officer nor Site Superintendent.

89. Does the Government have a specific requirement for the quality of the temporary construction fence? Is standard chain link fencing acceptable, or does there also need to be fabric on the fence to obscure view of the construction work area?

Response: A standard chain-link fencing is acceptable

90. According to General Plan C1, Master Plan, it appears the entire area is defined by green shading at the south east inside the construction. Please clarify the following:

Are all buildings contained in this area to be demolished including foundations, utilities, and paving?
Are we to backfill with imported fill to the surrounding grade and re-establish grass as part of this work?

Response: Refer to the 100% design specifications and drawings. Backfill, grading and re-establishment of grass is required in areas where demolished activities are to occur.

Amendment 0002 Attachments:

1. WSOC 100% Design Specification dated 20 December 2012 (1711 pages – English only)
2. WSOC 100% Design Drawings – Part 1 .pdf file (348 Drawings – 100A through E-303 English/German)
3. WSOC 100% Design Drawings – Part 2 . pdf file (348 Drawings – E-304 through S-214 English/German)
4. WSOC 100% Design Drawings – .zip file (330 .dwg files – 100A through S-214 English/German)
5. Representative Rhine Ordinance Barracks As-Built Bunker drawings (.pdf – 2 Drawings)
6. Building Automation & Control Documents (.pdf file – 86 pages)
7. Fire Protection Report and Design – Part 1 .pdf file (82 pages – German only)
8. Fire Protection Report and Design – Part 2. pdf file (1 page Drawing – English/German)
9. Revised Experience Information Sheet (Solicitation Attachment 2 – .docx file – 2 pages)

SECTION 00010 - SOLICITATION CONTRACT FORM

The performance period code Mandatory has been added.

(End of Summary of Changes)

